## I. AMENDMENTS

## In the Abstract:

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

The present invention relates to a A pipe coupling of the type where a pipe is freely insertable into the coupling and where a nut causes engagement of a grip ring and gasket with the pipe to provide a seal between the coupling and the pipe, and where within the coupling there is disposed a <u>first</u> stop to indicate to a user inserting the pipe freely that the pipe has been inserted to its required location. The <u>first</u> stop is located at a position where there is room beyond the <u>first</u> stop for the pipe to move into. Tightening of the nut causes the pipe to move further into the coupling beyond the <u>first</u> stop to a second stop. This solves the problem of the pipe being inserted too deeply into the coupling and being deformed when the nut is tightened further.